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RE: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/462,635**MESSAGE:**

Dear Examiner Goldberg,

Further to our telephone call of this morning, attached please find a Supplemental Reply and Amendment. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,


Deborah H. Yellin
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Patent
Attorney's Docket No. 020600-285

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)

Günter SCHMIDT *et al.*)

Application No.: 09/462,635)

Filed: April 10, 2000)

For: CATEGORISING NUCLEIC ACID)

Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Jeanine Anne Goldberg

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and the ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37
C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.

☐ Also enclosed is/are _____

☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

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- ☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the
☐ \$375.00 (2801) ☐ \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least ___, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADD'L FEE
Total Claims		MINUS =		× \$18.00 (1202) =	
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$84.00 (1201) =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					

☐ A claim fee in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND REPLY

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Sir:

This Supplemental Amendment is filed in further response to the Official Action dated November 25, 2002 (Paper No. 23) and in supplement to the Amendment and Reply filed on February 25, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: